

City of Binghamton
Commission on Architecture and Urban Design
28 April 2015
Minutes

Date: 28 April 2015
Location: Planning Department Conference Room

Members Present:

J. Darrow
S. Edwards
K. Ellsworth
J. Smith
P. Klosky
M. Mauro

Other Present:

M. Giurastante
J. Berling
T. Costello
S. Campbell
J. Kraham
R. Murphy

Absent:

M. Atchie

K. Ellsworth called the meeting to order at approximately 12:00PM.

K. Ellsworth makes a motion to approve February minutes, seconded by S. Edwards and unanimously approved.

K. Ellsworth makes a motion to approve March minutes, seconded by P. Klosky and unanimously approved.

Items Heard:

26 Brandywine Avenue:

J. Kraham introduced proposal to demolish buildings located on 26 Brandywine Avenue – the old Binghamton Public Works building. J. Darrow made a motion to determine no historical significance for all structures, seconded by S. Edwards and unanimously approved.

162-166 Main Street:

K. Ellsworth recused himself from discussion and vote. Vice-chairman, M. Atchie, was not in attendance. J. Darrow made a motion to establish J. Smith as acting chair, seconded by K. Ellsworth and denied by J. Smith. J. Darrow made a motion to establish M. Mauro as acting chair, seconded by S. Edwards and unanimously approved.

S. Campbell reintroduced the proposed demolition, which was tabled at the March meeting. The Commission discussed the lack of significance of the existing buildings and the desire to reestablish the Main Street Corridor. S. Campbell discusses the design of the restaurant as a Louisiana-style kitchen.

J. Darrow made a motion for no historical significance, seconded by P. Klosky and unanimously approved.

K. Ellsworth returned and resumed his role as Chairman.

34 Chenango Street:

Alexander Nichols introduced his proposal for an outdoor café outside Alexander's Café. He discussed the positive contributions to the community that the outdoor café would make. P. Klosky noted that barriers would not be necessary since Alexander's would not be serving alcohol. The site plan was discussed and commended.

J. Darrow made a motion to approve the outdoor café, seconded by M. Mauro and unanimously approved.

58 Court Street:

Chris Kazmarcik introduced his proposal for an outdoor café outside of The Colonial. P. Klosky questioned the depth of the proposed café. The applicant stated that the depth should accommodate the requested chairs and tables. J. Darrow informed the applicant of the design guidelines that are currently underway regarding new barrier standards for all outdoor cafés.

J. Darrow made a motion to approve the outdoor café provided that the applicant conforms to new barrier standards. The motion was seconded by S. Edwards and unanimously approved.

Other Business:

- Status of Sake Tumi window is discussed
- Loitering in front of Maryam's Mart
- 257 Washington Street: his vent should be painted
- Grand Royale